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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: H. IKEDA, et al.
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Title: A METHOD OF MANUFACTURING A SEMICONDUCTOR
DEVICE AND A SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE
Group AU: 2825
Examiner: Sun J. Lin
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AMENDMENT

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SIR:

In response to the Office Action mailed December 30, 2005, please amend
the above-identified application as listed in the following, and as set forth on the
following pages:

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS; and

REMARKS are included following the amendments.